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STATE OF MONTANA



**Monthly Summary
of**

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

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STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA For MARCH 1966
(State) (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons					Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured				
							Total	a	b	c	
Collision of motor vehicle with	Motor Vehicle										
	1. Ran off road	191	4	77	110	4	123	52	50	21	a. Bleeding wound, dislocated member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.
	2. Overturned on road	6	1	3	2	1	4	2	1	1	b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.
	3. Pedestrian	17	1	16		1	16	4	10	2	c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	641	3	135	503	7	206	50	85	71	
	5. Parked motor vehicle	94	1	17	76	1	20	6	13	1	
	6. Railroad train	3	1	1	1	2	2		2		
	7. Bicyclist	2		2			2		1	1	
	8. Animal	31			31						
	9. Fixed object	114	3	45	66	4	67	29	24	14	
	10. Other object	2			2						
	11. Other non-collision										
12. Misc.	3		1	2		1	1				
Totals		1104	14	297	793	20	441	144	186	111	

SUMMARY OF Statewide ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

\$ 100.00 or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

July 12, 1966

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2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	228	8	151	578	7	301	758	13	375	-46
2. Overturned on road	12	1	5	17	1	11	27	1	14	NC
3. Pedestrian	14		14	48	5	45	48	1	49	+400
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	854	15	260	2412	24	793	2592	28	725	-14
5. Parked motor vehicle	115		11	316	2	50	348	1	30	+100
6. Railroad train	6		3	12	3	15	16	1	6	+200
7. Bicyclist	1	1		6		6	3	1	2	-100
8. Animal	28		5	86	1	4	86		10	+INF
9. Fixed object	87		35	323	10	139	238	1	91	+900
10. Other object	1	1	1	3		2	6	1	2	-100
11. Other non-collision				1						NC
12. Misc.				9	1	3	6	1	2	NC
Totals	1346	26	485	3811	54	1369	4128	49	1306	+10

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	54	49	+10
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (billions)	752	681	+10
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	7.1	7.2	-1
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	5.2	5.9	-12
5. Fatal Accidents	39	40	-3

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Tanglew, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All locations where more than 2000 or more people and all areas classified as urban by population in 1960 or less												
1. 2,500 to 10,000	78		16	62		18						
2. 10,000 to 25,000	120		27	93		34						
3. 25,000 to 50,000	109		31	78		37						
4. 50,000 to 100,000	283	1	55	227	1	82						
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7. Not stated												
Total urban	590	1	129	460	1	171						
RURAL: All locations other than those above												
1. Controlled access highway	21		8	13		14						
2. State routes & US	307	10	107	190	15	174						
3. County routes	186	3	53	130	4	82						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	514	13	168	333	19	270						
Total urban and rural	1104	14	297	793	20	441						

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Hour beginning																		
0. Midnight	25		2		1		2		3		3		8		6			
1. 1:00	40	1	3		2		1		5		6		9	1	14			
2. 2:00	41		2		5		4		4		5		9		12			
3. 3:00	16		1		5		1		1		1		1		6			
4. 4:00	15		3		2						3		4		3			
5. 5:00	6				1		2		1		1				1			
6. 6:00	16		3		1		2		2		2		4		2			
7. 7:00	38		7		12		4		8		4		2		1			
8. 8:00	47		5		10		13		8		7		2		2			
9. 9:00	39		2		8		9		9		5		4		2			
10. 10:00	32		6		3		10		2		2		5		4			
11. 11:00	49		4		5		7		6		12		9		6			
12. Noon	56		9		6		11		12		8		5		5			
13. 1:00	51	1	7		5		12		8	1	6		9		4			
14. 2:00	45		4		8		6		8		8		7		4			
15. 3:00	84	1	16		9		15	1	10		11		16		7			
16. 4:00	94	1	11		12	1	17		14		18		13		9			
17. 5:00	100	2	12	1	16		13		23		15		12	1	9			
18. 6:00	67	2	3		13		10		12	2	7		13		9			
19. 7:00	55	1	9		6		7		7		7		12		7	1		
20. 8:00	57	1	7		10		4		8	1	7		13		8			
21. 9:00	46	1	3		7		11		2		5	1	15		3			
22. 10:00	43		1		7		3		12		8		7		5			
23. 11:00	42	3	5	1	6	1	4		9		6	1	9		3			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	1104	14	125	2	160	2	168	1	174	4	157	2	188	2	132	1		

4 AGE DF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed												Number of Persons Injured											
	Total killed						Pedestrians						Total injured						Pedestrians					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4													11	5	6	3	3							
2. 5 to 9	1		1										23	15	8	12	7	5	1	1				
3. 10 to 14													16	5	11	1	1							
4. 15 to 19	4	2	2										97	63	34									
5. 20 to 24	3	2	1										75	57	18									
6. 25 to 34	2	2											71	52	19									
7. 35 to 44	3	1	2										49	32	17									
8. 45 to 54	2	2		1	1								56	39	17	1	1							
9. 55 to 64	1		1										24	12	12									
10. 65 to 74													14	7	7									
11. 75 & older	4	3	1										5	3	2									
12. Not stated																								
Totals	20	12	8	1	1								441	290	151	17	12	5	2	2				

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

A TWO MDTDR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Following at angle	204		48	156
2a. From same direction - both going straight	10		3	7
b. Same - one turn, one straight	35		5	30
c. Same - one stopped	54		13	41
d. Same - all others				
3a. From opposite direction - both going straight	2		1	1
b. Same - one left turn, one straight	74	1	12	61
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	379	1	82	296

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	52	2	13	39
2. Going same direction - both moving	84		19	65
3a. One car parked	91	1	16	74
b. One car stopped in traffic	75		15	60
4a. One car entering parked position	1			1
b. One car leaving parked position	20		2	18
5a. One car entering alley or driveway	3		0	3
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	30		7	23
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	356	3	70	283

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Car going straight	19	1		1	18
2. Car turning right	1			1	1
3. Car turning left					
4. Car backing					
5. All others					
6. Not stated					
Totals	20	1		1	19

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.				
2. Fixed object in road	11		4	7
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	14		3	11
5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	4	1	2	1
6. Fixed object in road	103	3	42	58
7. Overturned in road	6	1	3	2
8. At curve	76	4	31	41
9. Straight road	100		11	89
10. Fell from moving vehicle				
11. All others	35			35
12. Not stated				
Totals	349	9	126	214

7 PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway at intersection		2		1	1						
b. Same - not at intersection		14	3	9	1				1		
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic											
b. Same - against traffic		1		1							
3. Standing in roadway											
4. Getting on or off a vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway		1	2	1					1		
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated											
Totals	1	20	3	13	2				2		

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8 AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	30		9
2. 16	76		14
3. 17	70		13
4. 18 to 19	177	2	40
5. 20 to 24	295	4	74
6. 25 to 34	368	4	97
7. 35 to 44	269	1	65
8. 45 to 54	250	3	76
9. 55 to 64	140		27
10. 65 to 74	63	1	17
11. 75 & older	29	2	5
12. Not stated	2		2
Totals	1769	17	439

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1393	16	339
2. Female	376	1	100
3. Not stated			
Totals	1769	17	439

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	1579	9	392
2. Residing elsewhere in state	123	8	33
3. Resident of other state	62		12
4. Not stated	5		2
Totals	1769	17	439

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12 TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1655	16	412
2. Passenger car and trailer	1		
3. Truck or truck tractor	153	2	24
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	21		6
5. Other truck combination	22		4
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Taxis	9		2
8. Bus	2		
9. School bus	2		1
10. Motorcycle	10		8
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	3		
Totals	1878	18	457
Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)	2	1	1
14. Military vehicles			
15. Other publicly owned vehicles			

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	693	12	203
2. Wet	95	1	28
3. Snowy or icy	313	1	66
4. Other	3		
5. Not stated			
Totals	1104	14	297

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Builtup	589		129
2. Not builtup	515	14	168
3. Not stated			
Totals	1104	14	297

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	663	6	149
2. Dawn or dusk	59		16
3. Darkness	382	8	132
4. Not stated			
Totals	1104	14	297

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	281	2	97
2. Failed to yield right of way	147		28
3. Drove left of center	19	1	1
4. Improper overtaking	11		4
5. Passed stop sign	18		3
6. Disregarded traffic signal	3		2
7. Followed too closely	32		8
8. Made improper turn	24		4
9. Other improper driving	6	1	1
10. Inadequate brakes	4		1
11. Improper lights	1		
12. Had been drinking	28	6	10
Totals	574	10	159

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF STATEWIDE ACCIDENTS

PERIOD MARCH - 1966

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	870	10	239
3. Raining	15		7
4. Snowing	161	2	30
5. Fog	2		2
6. Other	56	2	19
Total	1104	14	297

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	809	8	203
3. Straight road—hillcrest	15		5
4. Straight road—on grade	133		36
5. Straight road—not stated	1		1
6. Curve—level	52	5	16
7. Curve—hillcrest	5		3
8. Curve—on grade	59	1	24
9. Curve—not stated	30		9
Total	1104	14	297

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	259		68
2. Farmers or farm laborers	91	2	22
3. Students	362	3	82
4. Sales persons	63		17
5. Commercial drivers	122	2	35
6. Military personnel	46		13
7. Housewives & domestic servants	241	2	62
8. Retired & pensioners	52		11
9. All other workers	533	9	129
Total	1769	17	439

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

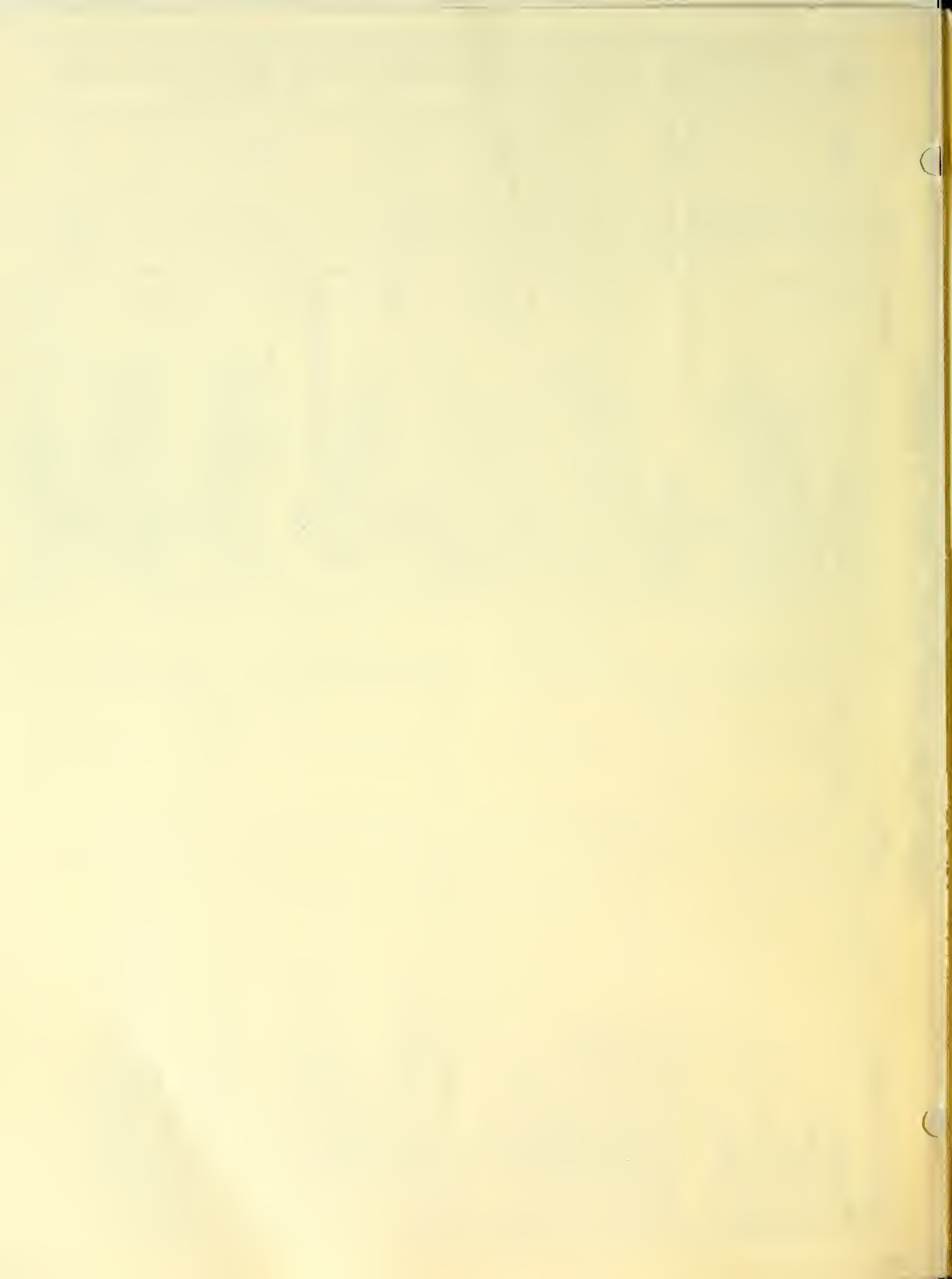
Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	58	6	14
2. Received classroom training in school	15		4
3. Received behind the wheel training	24		6
4. Received both classes of training	77	1	17
5. No driver training	1058	10	293
Total	1232	17	334

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	21		11
2. HBD—obviously drunk	15	2	6
3. HBD—ability impaired	37	3	14
4. HBD—ability not impaired	37		11
5. HBD—not known if impaired	58	2	29
6. Had not been drinking	1005	6	246
7. Not known if drinking	59	4	17
Total	1232	17	334

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	8		2
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	12		6
4. Loose material on surface	22		10
5. Under construction or repair	2		1
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other	21		7
8. No defects	714	14	207
Total	779	14	233

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	26		5
2. Equipped with in use	132	3	43
3. Equipped with not in use	309	5	77
4. Not equipped with	765	9	209
Total	1232	17	334
1. Not stated	1002	9	214
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	170	8	96
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	60		24
4. SB did not or could not have helped			
Total	1232	17	334

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	626	11	185
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	150	3	45
3. Not stated	3		3
Total	779	14	233
1. Not stated	97		22
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	95	4	46
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		1
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	31		8
5. No speed violation	1008	13	257
Total	1232	17	334
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	11	1	5
2. Hit & run accidents	1		1



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Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	10		4	6		5	2	2	1
2. Overturned on road									
3. Pedestrian	12		12			12	3	7	2
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	451		85	366		115	18	44	53
5. Parked motor vehicle	80	1	11	68	1	13	3	9	1
6. Railroad train	1		1			2		2	
7. Bicyclist	2		2			2		1	1
8. Animal									
9. Fixed object	34		14	20		22	9	5	8
10. Other object									
11. Other non-collision									
12.									
Totals	590	1	129	460	1	171	35	70	66

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	2. Overturned on road							1		1	NC
	3. Pedestrian	11		11	32	1	31	35		38	+INF
	4. Motor vehicle in traffic	589		148	1674	3	425	1792	2	367	+50
	5. Parked motor vehicle	97		9	264	2	35	279		22	+INF
	6. Railroad train				5		3	3			NC
	7. Bicyclist				5		5	2		2	NC
	8. Animal							5		3	NC
	9. Fixed object	51		14	123		38	148		47	NC
	10. Other object				1		1	2			NC
	11. Other non-collision				1						NC
	12.				3		2	3		1	NC
Totals		755		188	2144	6	556	2328	2	508	+200

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
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2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	NA		
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6.			

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Total rural								
Total urban and rural								

5. TIME		Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
Hour beginning		All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon	12. Midnight	10						1		2		2		3		2			
	1. 1:00	9		1				1		1				2		4			
	2. 2:00	22		2		2		2		4		4		4		4			
	3. 3:00	3				1				1						1			
	4. 4:00	3				1							1		1				
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After Noon	11. 11:00	31		4		2		4		3		7		8		3			
	12. Noon	38		5		6		7		10		5		2		3			
	13. 1:00	37		7		4		8		5		6				1			
	14. 2:00	18		2		2		3		3		2		4		2			
	15. 3:00	50		11		6		7		7		8		5		6			
	16. 4:00	58		6		8		15		6		11		8		4			
	17. 5:00	60		6		10		10		17		10		5		2			
	18. 6:00	32		2		5		5		7		3		7		3			
	19. 7:00	26		2		4		4		5		4		5		2			
	20. 8:00	32		4		7				4		5		8		4			
	21. 9:00	25		1		3		8		2		1		10					
	22. 10:00	21				4		2		6		3		3		3			
	23. 11:00	12	1	1	1	2				5		1		2		1			
	24. Not stated																		
Totals		590	1	63	1	90		103		107		88		89		50			

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										7	3	4	2	2				
2. 5 to 9										14	9	5	9	5	4	1	1	
3. 10 to 14										5	4	1	1	1				
4. 15 to 19										43	26	17				1	1	
5. 20 to 24	1		1							22	13	9						
6. 25 to 34										28	17	11						
7. 35 to 44										14	6	8						
8. 45 to 54										21	9	12						
9. 55 to 64										10	3	7						
10. 65 to 74										6	2	4						
11. 75 & older										1		1						
12. Not stated																		
Totals	1		1							171	92	79	12	8	4	2	2	

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road.

A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering on angle	152		36	116
2. From same direction - both going straight	10		3	7
3. Same - one turn, one straight	35		5	30
4. Same - one stopped	53		12	41
5. Same - all others				
6. From opposite direction - both going straight	2		1	1
7. Same - one left turn, one straight	62		6	56
8. Same - all others				
9. Not stated				
Totals	314		63	251

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Car going straight	13		13	6
2. Car turning right	1		1	1
3. Car turning left				
4. Car backing				
5. All others				
6. Not stated				
Totals	14		14	7

B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going against direction - both moving	11		1	10
2. Going same direction - both moving	31		6	25
3. One car parked	78	1	11	66
4. One car stopped in traffic	55		10	45
5. One car entering parked position				
6. One car leaving parked position	15			15
7. One car entering alley or driveway	3			3
8. One car leaving alley or driveway	24		5	19
9. All others				
10. Not stated				
Totals	217	1	33	183

D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Non-motor vehicle: train, bicycle, etc.	9		3	6
2. Fixed object in road				
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	4		1	3
5. Non-motor vehicle: train, bicycle, etc.	1		1	
6. Fixed object in road	25		11	14
7. Overturned in road				
8. At curve	1			1
9. Straight road	5		3	2
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others				
12. Not stated				
Totals	45		19	26

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
	Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated	
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection	2		1	1							
2. Same - not at intersection	10	2	7	1							
3a. Walking in roadway - with traffic											
4. Same - against traffic	1		1								
5. Standing in roadway											
6. Getting on or off a vehicle											
7. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
8. Other working in roadway											
9. Playing in roadway	1		1								
10. Other in roadway											
11. Not in roadway											
12. Not stated											
Totals	14	2	10	2							

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 13 & younger	18		7
2. 14	49		6
3. 15	56		10
4. 16 to 19	120		23
5. 20 to 24	166	1	35
6. 25 to 34	203		50
7. 35 to 44	154		30
8. 45 to 54	137		34
9. 55 to 64	90		12
10. 65 to 74	43		7
11. 75 & older	21		3
12. Not stated	1		1
Totals	1058	1	218

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1030	2	212
2. Passenger car and trailer			
3. Truck or truck tractor	96		9
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	9		1
5. Other truck combination	2		
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Trolley	7		2
8. Bus			
9. School bus	2		1
10. Motorcycle	7		5
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated			
Totals	1153	2	230

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	589		129
2. Not built-up	1	1	
3. Not stated			
Totals	590	1	129

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	408		76
2. Dusk or dark	20		4
3. Darkness	162	1	49
4. Not stated			
Totals	590	1	129

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	767	1	146
2. Female	291		72
3. Not stated			
Totals	1058	1	218

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	339	1	81
2. Wet	57		17
3. Snowy or icy	194		31
4. Other			
5. Not stated			
Totals	590	1	129

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	143		31
2. Failed to yield right of way	106		18
3. Drove left of center	4		
4. Improper overtaking	4		1
5. Passed stop sign	15		3
6. Disregarded traffic signal	2		2
7. Followed too closely	27		7
8. Made improper turn	16		2
9. Other improper driving	3	1	
10. Inadequate brakes	3		1
11. Improper lights			
12. Had been drinking	9		2
Totals	332	1	67

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF

URBAN

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD

MARCH - 1966

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	473	1	112
3. Raining	5		1
4. Snowing	97		12
5. Fog	1		1
6. Other	14		3
Total	590	1	129

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	509	1	115
3. Straight road—hillcrest	4		
4. Straight road—on grade	62		11
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	8		2
7. Curve—hillcrest	1		1
8. Curve—on grade	4		
9. Curve—not stated	2		
Total	590	1	129

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	186		41
2. Farmers or farm laborers	29		4
3. Students	236		44
4. Sales persons	41		8
5. Commercial drivers	58		14
6. Military personnel	19		6
7. Housewives & domestic servants	186		47
8. Retired & pensioners	37		6
9. All other workers	266	1	48
Total	1058	1	218

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	25	1	3
2. Received classroom training in school	6		2
3. Received behind the wheel training	3		
4. Received both classes of training	37		4
5. No driver training	624		133
Total	695	1	142

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	3		
2. HBD—obviously drunk	7		2
3. HBD—ability impaired	7		1
4. HBD—ability not impaired	21		5
5. HBD—not known if impaired	15	1	7
6. Had not been drinking	631		125
7. Not known if drinking	11		2
Total	695	1	142

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders			
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	2		1
4. Loose material on surface	5		1
5. Under construction or repair			
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other	1		
8. No defects	385	1	85
Total	393	1	87

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	14		1
2. Equipped with in use	51	1	12
3. Equipped with not in use	211		42
4. Not equipped with	419		87
Total	695	1	142
1. Not stated	674	1	130
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	16		11
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	5		1
4. SB did not or could not have helped			
Total	695	1	142

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	337	1	69
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	56		18
3. Not stated			
Total	393	1	87
1. Not stated	75		13
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	25		10
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	20		5
4. Exceeding safe speed limit			
5. Not exceeding legal speed limit	575	1	114
5. No speed violation			
Total	695	1	114
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	7	1	2
2. Hit & run accidents			

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA
(State)For MARCH 1966
(Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons					Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured				
							Total	a	b	c	
Motor Vehicle											a. Bleeding wound, dis- torted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene. b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abra- sions, swelling, laming, or other painful movement. c. Complaint of pain, with- out visible signs of in- jury, or momentary un- consciousness.
1. Ran off road		181	4	73	104	4	118	50	48	20	
2. Overturned on road		6	1	3	2	1	4	2	1	1	
3. Pedestrian		5	1	4		1	4	1	3		
4. Motor vehicle in traffic		190	3	50	137	7	91	32	41	18	
5. Parked motor vehicle		14		6	8		7	3	4		
6. Railroad train		2	1		1	2					
7. Bicyclist											
8. Animal		31			31						
9. Fixed object		80	3	31	46	4	45	20	19	6	
10. Other object		2			2						
11. Other non-collision											
12. Misc.		3		1	2		1	1			
Totals		514	13	168	333	19	270	109	116	45	

SUMMARY OF Rural ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

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☐ In the accident☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

July 12, 1966

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2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Death Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	221	8	145	542	7	286	700	13	348	-46%
2. Overturned on road	12	1	5	17	1	11	26	1	13	NC
3. Pedestrian	3		3	16	4	14	13	1	11	+300%
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	265	15	112	738	21	368	800	26	358	-18%
5. Parked motor vehicle	18		2	52		15	69	1	8	-100%
6. Railroad train	6		3	7	3	12	13	1	6	+200%
7. Bicyclist	1	1		1		1	1	1		-100%
8. Animal	28		5	86	1	4	81		7	+INF%
9. Fixed object	36		21	200	10	101	90	1	44	+90%
10. Other object	1	1	1	2			4	1	2	-100%
11. Other non-collision				6	1	1	3	1	1	NC
12. Misc.										
Totals	591	26	297	1667	48	813	1800	47	798	+2%

2B. MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths	48	47	+2%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	NA		
3. Death rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	NA		
4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000 vehicle-miles	NA		
Fatal Accidents	34	38	-11%

3. LOCATION	A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies Towns, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.					
	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
1. 2,500 to 10,000												
2. 10,000 to 25,000												
3. 25,000 to 50,000												
4. 50,000 to 100,000												
5. 100,000 to 250,000												
6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban												
1. Controlled access highway	21		8	13		14						
2. State routes	307	10	107	190	15	174						
3. County routes	186	3	53	130	4	82						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	514	13	168	333	19	270						
Total urban and rural												

5. TIME	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
Before Noon																		
6. Midnight	15		2		1		1		1		1		5		4			
1. 1:00	31	1	2		2				4		6		7	1	10			
2. 2:00	19				3		2				1		5		8			
3. 3:00	13		1		4		1				1		1		5			
4. 4:00	12		3		1						3		3		2			
5. 5:00	3						2								1			
6. 6:00	12		3						2		1		4		2			
7. 7:00	19		7		4		2		4		2							
8. 8:00	9				2		3		1		1		2					
9. 9:00	19				5		4		4		1		3		2			
10. 10:00	13		4		1		3						2		3			
11. 11:00	18				3		4		3		5		1		3			
12. Noon	18		4				4		2		3		3		2			
13. 1:00	14	1			1		4		3	1			3		3			
14. 2:00	27		2		6		3		5		6		3		3			
15. 3:00	34	1	5		3		8	1	3		3		11		1			
16. 4:00	36	1	5		4	1	2		8		7		5		5			
17. 5:00	40	2	6	1	6		3		6		5		7	1	7			
18. 6:00	35	2	1		8		5		5	2	4		6		6			
19. 7:00	29	1	7		2		3		2		3		7		5	1		
20. 8:00	25	1	3		3		4		4	1	2		5		4			
21. 9:00	21	1	2		4		3				4	1	5		3			
22. 10:00	22		1		3				6		5		4		2			
23. 11:00	30	2	4		4	1	4		4		5	1	7		2			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	514	13	62	1	70	2	65	1	67	4	69	2	99	2	82	1		

4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										4	2	2	1	1				
2. 5 to 9										9	6	3	3	2	1			
3. 10 to 14	1		1							11	1	10						
4. 15 to 19	3	2	1							54	37	17						
5. 20 to 24	3	2	1							53	44	9						
6. 25 to 34	2	2								43	35	8						
7. 35 to 44	3	1	2							35	26	9						
8. 45 to 54	2	2		1	1					35	30	5	1	1				
9. 55 to 64	1		1							14	9	5						
10. 65 to 74										8	5	3						
11. 75 & older	4	3	1							4	3	1						
12. Not stated																		
Totals	19	12	7	1	1					270	198	72	5	4	1			

6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS - An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road.

A TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Entering at angle	52		12	40
2a. From same direction - both going straight				
b. Same - one turn, one straight				
c. Same - one stopped	1		1	
d. Same - all others				
3b. From opposite direction - both going straight				
a. Same - one left turn, one straight	12	1	6	5
c. Same - all others				
4. Not stated				
Totals	65	1	19	45

B TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Going opposite direction - both moving	41	2	12	27
2. Going same direction - both moving	53		13	40
3a. One car parked	13		5	8
b. One car stopped in traffic	20		5	15
4a. One car entering parked position	1		1	
b. One car leaving parked position	5		5	
5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
b. One car leaving alley or driveway	6		2	4
6. All others				
7. Not stated				
Totals	139	2	37	100

C PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
1. Car going straight	6	1			
2. Car turning right			1	5	2
3. Car turning left					
4. Car backing					
5. All others					
6. Not stated					
Totals	6	1	1	5	2

D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Collision with 1. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.				
2. Fixed object in road	2		1	1
3. Overturned in road				
4. Left road	10		2	8
Collision with 5. Non-motor vehicle - train, bicycle, etc.	3	1	1	1
6. Fixed object in road	78	3	31	44
7. Overturned in road	6		3	2
8. At curve	75	4	31	40
9. Straight road	95		38	57
10. Fall from moving vehicle				
11. All others	35			35
12. Not stated				
Totals	304	9	107	188

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured									
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway at intersection											
Same - ran at intersection		4	1	2					1		
2a. Walking in roadway - with traffic											
b. Same - against traffic											
3. Straying in roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or pulling on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway											
8. Other in roadway	1	2		1					1		
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated											
Totals	1	6	1	3					2		

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	12		2
2. 16	27		8
3. 17	14		3
4. 18 to 19	57	2	17
5. 20 to 24	129	3	39
6. 25 to 34	165	4	47
7. 35 to 44	115	1	35
8. 45 to 54	113	3	42
9. 55 to 64	50		15
10. 65 to 74	20	1	10
11. 75 & older	8	2	2
12. Not stated	1		1
Totals	711	16	221

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	626	15	193
2. Female	85	1	28
3. Not stated			
Totals	711	16	221

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	591	8	184
2. Passing through in zone	74	8	25
3. Resident out of state	45		11
4. Not stated	1		1
Totals	711	16	221

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	625	14	200
2. Passenger car and trailer	1		
3. Truck or truck tractor	57	2	15
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	12		5
5. Other truck combination	20		4
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Taxis	2		
8. Bus	2		
9. School bus			
10. Motorcycle	3		3
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	3		
Totals	725	16	227

Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)			
14. Military vehicles			
15. Other publicly owned vehicles			

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	354	11	122
2. Wet	38	1	11
3. Snowy or icy	119	1	35
4. Other	3		
5. Not stated			
Totals	514	13	168

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up			
2. Not built-up	514	13	168
3. Not stated			
Totals	514	13	168

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	255	6	73
2. Dawn or dusk	39		12
3. Darkness	220	7	83
4. Not stated			
Totals	514	13	168

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	138	2	66
2. Failed to yield right of way	41		10
3. Drove left of center	15	1	1
4. Improper overtaking	7		3
5. Passed stop sign	3		
6. Disregarded traffic signal	1		
7. Followed too closely	5		1
8. Made improper turn	3		
9. Other improper driving	8		1
10. Inadequate brakes	1		
11. Improper lighting	1		
12. Had been drinking	19	6	8
Totals	242	9	92

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF RURAL

ACCIDENTS

PERIOD MARCH - 1966

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	397	9	127
3. Raining	10		6
4. Snowing	64	2	18
5. Fog	1		1
6. Other	42	2	16
Total	514	13	168

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Straight road—level	300	7	88
3. Straight road—hillcrest	11		5
4. Straight road—on grade	71		25
5. Straight road—not stated	1		1
6. Curve—level	44	5	14
7. Curve—hillcrest	4		2
8. Curve—on grade	55	1	22
9. Curve—not stated	28		9
Total	514	13	168

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	73		27
2. Farmers or farm laborers	62	2	18
3. Students	126	3	38
4. Sales persons	22		9
5. Commercial drivers	64	1	21
6. Military personnel	27		7
7. Housewives & domestic servants	55	2	15
8. Retired & pensioners	15		5
9. All other workers	267	8	81
Total	711	16	221

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	33	5	11
2. Received classroom training in school	9		2
3. Received behind the wheel training	21		6
4. Received both classes of training	40	1	13
5. No driver training	434	10	160
Total	537	16	192

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	18		11
2. HBD—obviously drunk	8	2	4
3. HBD—ability impaired	30	3	13
4. HBD—ability not impaired	16		6
5. HBD—not known if impaired	43	1	22
6. Had not been drinking	374	6	121
7. Not known if drinking	48	4	15
Total	537	16	192

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	8		2
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	10		5
4. Loose material on surface	17		9
5. Under construction or repair	2		1
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other	20		7
8. No defects	329	13	122
Total	386	13	146

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	12		4
2. Equipped with in use	81	2	31
3. Equipped with not in use	98	5	35
4. Not equipped with	346	9	122
Total	537	16	192
1. Not stated	328	8	84
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	154	8	85
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	55		23
4. SB did not or could not have helped			
Total	537	16	192

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	289	10	116
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	94	3	27
3. Not stated	3		3
Total	386	13	146
1. Not stated	22		9
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	70	4	36
3. Exceeding safe speed limit	1		1
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	11		3
5. No speed violation	433	12	143
Total	537	16	192
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	4		3
2. Hit & run accidents	1		1

